REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ZONING, PLANNING AND HOUSING

Voting Members:

Ron Menor, Chair; Tommy Waters, Vice-Chair; Brandon J.C. Elefante, Ann H. Kobayashi, Joey Manahan

Committee Meeting Held February 27, 2020

Honorable Ikaika Anderson Chair, City Council City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Zoning, Planning and Housing, which considered Resolution 19-305 entitled:

"RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 21, REVISED ORDINANCES OF HONOLULU 1990 (THE LAND USE ORDINANCE), RELATING TO WIND MACHINES,"

introduced on November 8, 2019, reports as follows:

The purpose of Resolution 19-305 is to direct the Director of the Department of Planning and Permitting ("DPP") to process proposed amendments to the Land Use Ordinance ("LUO"), relating to wind machines. The proposed Exhibit A attached to the Resolution would require that all horizontal-axis and ground-mounted vertical-axis wind machines with a rated capacity of up to 100 kilowatts be set back from all property lines a minimum of five miles.

At your Committee's meeting on February 27, 2020, the DPP Acting Director expressed concern that the proposed five-mile setback may result in no parcels being available for wind energy production, and may stifle the City's efforts to reduce its dependence on imported fossil fuels. The DPP Acting Director stated that the DPP will process the proposal, and may recommend an alternative proposal that modifies the required setback.

CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU HONOLULU, HAWAII

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ZONING, PLANNING AND HOUSING

Voting Members:

Ron Menor, Chair; Tommy Waters, Vice-Chair; Brandon J.C. Elefante, Ann H. Kobayashi, Joey Manahan

Committee Meeting Held February 27, 2020 Page 2

Your Committee received written testimony in support of the Resolution from one individual. Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. submitted comments on the Resolution.

Your Committee on Zoning, Planning and Housing is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 19-305 and recommends its adoption. (Ayes: Kobayashi, Manahan, Menor, Waters – 4; Ayes with reservations: Elefante – 1; Noes: None.)

Respectfully submitted,

Committee Chair

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU HONOLULU, HAWAII